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EDUCATION TO CHILD LABOURS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal to encourage for opening the schools to impart education to child labours;

(b) if so, the details features of the proposal;

(c) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to open schools throughout the country for child labours; and

(d) if so, the features of the scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (d) : The Government of India has been implementing two schemes for rehabilitation of children withdrawn from work, namely the scheme of National Child Labour Projects (NCLP) and the Scheme of Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations.

Under the Scheme of NCLP, proposals are received from the concerned Districts through the State Governments. The Scheme is implemented through District Child Labour Project Societies set up under the Chairmanship of the District Collectors/Magistrates. The major activity under the NCLP is the running of special schools/centres forrehabilitation of children withdrawn from work through non-formal education, vocational training, nutrition, health care, stipend etc. So far, 96 NCLPs have been sanctioned to 13 child labour endemic states for the benefit of about 2.00 lakh children.

Under the Scheme of Grants-in-aid, funds are released to Voluntary Organisations, on the recommendation of the concerned State Government, for taking up action oriented projects for the benefit of children withdrawn from work.